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2. (Original) A connector comprising a housing and a required number of pusher members, said housing including a fitting aperture into which two flexible printed circuit boards are inserted, said housing further including insertion openings for holding said required number of pusher members so that when said flexible printed circuit boards are inserted into said fitting aperture of said housing, contact portions of said two flexible printed circuit boards are urged by said pusher members so as to be connected to each other to achieve electrical continuity of the connector.

3. (Original) The connector as set forth in claim 1 wherein said contact portions of said at least three flexible printed circuit boards are arranged in opposition to each other such that said contact portions can be connected on being urged against each other by said pusher members.

4. (Original) The connector as set forth in claim 2 wherein said contact portions of said two flexible printed circuit boards are arranged in opposition to each other such that said contact portions can be connected on being urged against each other by said pusher members.

5. (Amended) The connector as set forth in claim 3 further comprising positioning means for said flexible printed circuit boards.

6. (Original) The connector as set forth in claim 5 wherein said at least three flexible printed circuit boards are each formed with slits between the adjacent contact portions.

7. (Original) The connector as set forth in claim 5 wherein either, or both, of said flexible printed circuit boards are each formed with slits between the contact portions.

8. (Original) The connector as set forth in claim 5 wherein said at least three flexible printed circuit boards are formed with slits between each pair of two adjacent contact portions.

9. (Original) The connector as set forth in claim 5 wherein either, or both, of said flexible printed circuit boards are formed with slits between pairs of each two adjacent contact portions.

10. (Original) The connector as set forth in claim 5 wherein said at least three flexible printed circuit boards are each formed with slits between the adjacent contact portions arbitrarily selected to provide a compliance to said adjacent contact portions.

11. (Original) The connector as set forth in claim 5 wherein either, or both, of said flexible printed circuit boards are each formed with slits between the adjacent contact portions arbitrarily selected to provide a compliance to said adjacent contact portions.

12. (Amended) The connector as set forth in claim 6 wherein said positioning means comprises flanges at longitudinal ends of said housing, each of said flanges being provided with a pin, and said flexible printed circuit boards are formed with apertures for receiving said pins such that when said pins are received in said apertures of said flexible printed circuit boards, said contact portions of said flexible printed circuit boards positionally coincide with each other.

13. (Original) The connector as set forth in claim 12 wherein said pusher members have substantially a U-shape.

14. (Original) The connector as set forth in claim 13 wherein said pusher members each comprise pushing portions extending toward the flexible printed circuit boards.

15. (New)        The connector as set forth in claim 4 further comprising positioning means for said flexible printed circuit boards.

16. (New)        The connector as set forth in claim 11 wherein said positioning means comprises flanges at longitudinal ends of said housing, each of said flanges being provided with a pin, and said flexible printed circuit boards are formed with apertures for receiving said pins such that when said pins are received in said apertures of said flexible printed circuit boards, said contact portions of said flexible printed circuit boards positionally coincide with each other.